Name of the country	Year	Kg. of produce to buy one Kg. Nitrogen	
		Paddy	Wheat
Japan	1988	0.34	0.62
Pakistan	1988	1.97	2.63
Bangladesh		Not Available	
U.S.A.	1988	3.08	5.40
U.K.	1985	..	3.96
Canada	1988	..	4.66
China		Not Available	
Brazil		Not Available	
Korea (Republic)	1988	0.76	1.59
Sri Lanka		Not Available	
Malaysia		Not Available	
India	1988	3.19	2.95
	1991	2.89	2.96

Note: The unit (i) vaule of fertilizers in the form of 'N' through Nitrophosphate is not available.

(ii) Procurement prices announced by Government have been (adopted for calculation in respect of India.

Financial crisis of fertilizer Industry

2260. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the fertilizer industry in the country is in the grip of a financial crisis;

(b) whether Government's indifference towards payment of subsidy which accrued to the fertilizer plants over the last more than one year is largely responsible for this; and

(c) if so, the reaction of Government thereto and what other concrete steps Government propose to take to save the fertilizer industry from the financial crisis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (c) The fertilizer industry is facing liquidity problem on account of some delay in payment of subsidy. The problem has, however, been partly mitigated by lower inventory levels.

The Budget provision of Rs. 4000 crores for fertilizer subsidy has been enhanced to Rs. 4800 crores in the Revised Estimates.

Every effort is being made by the Government to expedite payment of subsidy.

Price Controlled Drugs

2261. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3096 given in Rajya